L. H. J. Liber No. 52 Oct. 4 The petition of Michael Macnemara late clerk of this House praying to be rechosen and presented to his Excellency the Governor in the usual manner was preferred and read.

On reading the said petition the Question was put that the said Michael Macnamara be rechosen Clerk of this house.

Resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered that M^r John Mackall and M^r Hammond do acquaint his Excellency the Governor that this house has made Choice of M.^r Michael Macnemara as Clerk of the house and desire to know if he approves thereof. They return and acquaint M^r Speaker that the Governor Signified his approbation of the choice and desired that he might be sent to the Upper house to be qualified.

Ordered that M. Worthington and Doctor Steuart do go with Mr Macnemara to the Upper house to see him qualified as Clerk. They return and acquaint M. Speaker that they saw M. Macnemara take the several Oaths to the Government required by Law Subscribe the Oath of Abjuration repeat and Sign the Test and take the following Oath (Viz.)

You Michael Macnemara do Swear, that, as Clerk of the Lower house of Assembly, you shall true Entries make of all such matters and things, as by the hon. ble Speaker for the time being and that house shall be to you directed the Secrets of the said house you shall not divulge, to the prejudice of the house or any Member thereof; but shall in all things, as Clerk to the said house, well and truly demean yourself according to the best of your knowledge. So help you God.

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M. Edmund Key a Delegate returned for S. Marys County and Mr Nathan Baker a Delegate returned for Cæcil County appeared in the house. Ordered that Mr Benj. Mackall and M. Ward do go with those Gentlemen to the Upper house to See them qualified.

They return and acquaint M. Speaker the Gentlemen were qualified in the Usual manner by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law by Subscribing the Oath of Abjuration and by repeating and Signing the Test.

The Gentlemen Severally took their Seats in the house.

Resolved that the hours of Sitting during this Session for dispatch of Publick business be from Nine of the Clock in the forenoon untill Twelve, and from two of the Clock untill five afternoon.

Ordered that M. John Hall do acquaint the Rev. M. Dewie that he is desired by this house to read devine Service during this Session every morning at a quarter before nine and at five afternoon.

On reading a Second time the Governors Speech Ordered that M.r Robert Lloyd. M.r J. Hall. M.r Johnson Mr Ringgold M.r J. Hammond M.r Key and Mr Dulany do prepare and bring in an Address in Answer thereto.